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CHILL OUT
WITH THE
COOL NEW



N-N-NICE
POLAR BEAR...
HOW ABOUT A
POPSICLE!?

ARCTIC

6569 Polar Explorer



Cosmo Good

Cosmo is the coolest scientist in the Arctic. He's the only champion ice surfer, snow surfer, and web surfer. When he isn't searching the ice for fossils, Cosmo loves to plow through the snow in the polar plow. Sometimes he even carves our giant messages in the snow for airplanes and UFO's to see.



Captain Ross Ranger

As leader of the explorers, Ross loves to climb mountains and icebergs. Ross climbed one huge iceberg and became stranded. As it floated south, the iceberg started melting like a snow cone left in the sun. Luckily, Crystal rescued Ross with the helicopter before the iceberg turned into an ice cube.



Crystal Apot

(A great name for a scientist!)

Crystal is a native Inuit from Nunavut. Crystal has studied Arctic animals since she was a young girl. She is also in tune with the weather and is the team's number-one weather watcher.



6573 Arctic Expedition

Keep your Arctic expedition moving. The powerful plow plows a path through the biggest piles of snow in the Arctic! Its rubber treads keep you going over slippery ice and snow.

And for fun, it can clear a space for a hockey game. When you find a frozen fossil, scoop it up with the robotic, all-terrain crane.



coolest place on Earth

6579 Ice Surfer

IT'S LIKE
SURFING ON ICE
CREAM, DUDES.

Sail turns to
catch the
wind.

Slide and glide over the
ice in this slick surfer.

The amazing Arctic. It's one of the coolest places in the world, especially in January when it's -33°F . Brrr! But the cold and snow can't stop these tough polar explorers. Their cool-looking polar equipment can handle whatever Mother Nature dishes out.



Outpost opens and satellite rotates.

6520 Mobile Outpost

Get a grip
with the hook
and winch.

CHECK OUT
THE POLAR BASE
ON PAGE 10

Wide skis let you
go wherever you
please.

WHEW,
THAT POLAR BEAR
ALMOST FOLLOWED ME
BACK TO CAMP!

Changes in the Arctic's weather affect the world. If too much ice melts, other lands will be flooded and polar bears will disappear. Hitch up the snow-tracker and move the mobile lab all over the Arctic. Zoom around in a super-fast snowmobile for extra exploring. Hit head out on snowshoes with your backpack, binoculars, and walkie-talkie. When the ice starts to break up, take off before you drift away.

Scooter



A Runaway THRILL!

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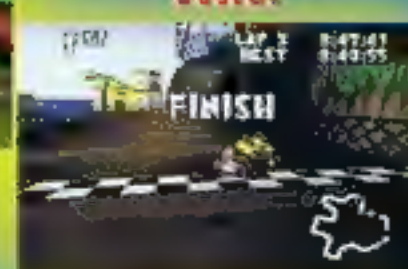


Race



LEGO RACERS

WIN!



NINTENDO 64
screen shots shown

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Your original model could be featured in LEGO Mania Magazine. Send a photo of your model to:

LEGO Club
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 P.O. Box 1308
 Enfield, CT 06083-1308

Club members featured will receive a free LEGO set of their choice (up to \$100 value).

HOVER TRANSPORT

Club Member, Ian Poropat, of Florida, inspired our model designers to build the Hover Transport



FINAL

Use pieces from your own LEGO collection or you can find all the pieces you need to build the Hover Transport in #4950 Loader Dozer.



EXPLORING THE ARCTIC

When he was six, Robert Peary read a book about Greenland. He knew right then that he wanted to be an explorer. When he was 30, he explored the Greenland ice cap, which is one million square miles of ice. He traveled over the Arctic ice by sled with a friend. On the way back, the two men tied their sleds together and put a sail on their "ice boat." They sailed down a mountain of ice and over a 50-foot gorge back to their base.

Peary returned to the Arctic on several more expeditions. He tried three times to reach the North Pole. On his third try, when he was almost 53, Peary finally reached his goal. On April 6, 1909, Peary, his friend Matthew Henson, and four Inuit (Eskimos) stood at the northernmost spot in the world. But nobody else knew until September because it took the team five months to get back!

Since 1909, not many other people have tried to reach the North Pole. Maybe because it is a hard place to find. The nearest land is 500 miles away. The North Pole sits on sheets of fast moving ice up to 20 feet thick. You can set up camp at the North Pole, go to sleep, and wake up miles away from the pole!

The Arctic remains a dangerous place. Explorers have to cross jumbled walls of broken ice. Explorers also have to deal with below-zero temperatures, blizzards, and one six-month-long winter night.

In 1995, an expedition duplicated Peary's adventure. Canadian Richard Weber and Russian Misha Malakov traveled overland to the North Pole and back without any aid.

For more exciting information on Robert Peary and Matthew Henson's arctic adventures, visit www.matthewhenson.com/1910.htm.



ARCTIC EXPLORER ROBERT PEARY WITH HIS SLED DOGS.



the Adventures of the LEGO Maniac

CHILLING ARCTIC TROUBLE







AS CRYSTAL USES HER SECRET POLAR BEAR REPELLENT, THE STORM FORCES THE CHOPPER TO RETURN TO POLAR BASE.



THE MANIAC WORKS QUICKLY TO BUILD A SUPER SWEET ARCTIC RESCUE RIG - COMPLETE WITH DOUBLE PLOWS, AN AUTOMATIC SHOVEL ARM AND A HIGH POWERED WINCH!





IN HIS CUSTOM BUILT ARCTIC RESCUE RIG, THE MANIAC PLOWS THROUGH THE DEEP ARCTIC SNOW TOWARD SECTOR SIX WHEN HE DISCOVERS TWO FLAGS OVER THE NEXT HILL.



THE AUTOMATIC SHOVEL ARM QUICKLY DIGS CRYSTAL'S TRACKER OUT OF THE SNOW.



AFTER FIXING THE TREAD ON CRYSTAL'S TRACKER, THE TEAM HEADS BACK TO POLAR BASE.

FREE
SOUND
"Roll out
Polar Base"

AWESOME ARCTIC ACTION!

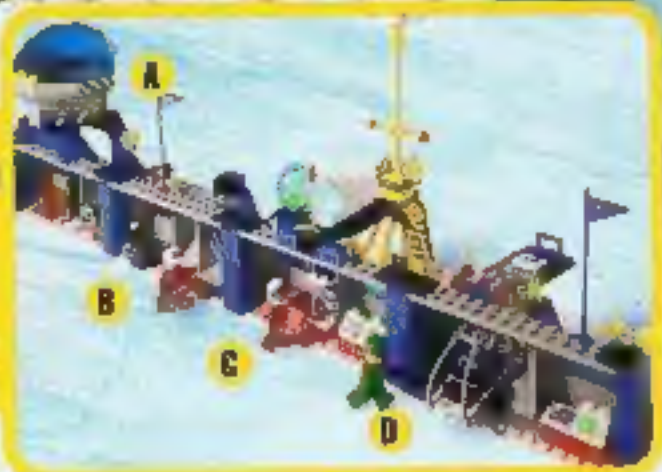
Helicopter rotors spin
and whisk winds.

IT'S
HOT COCOA
TIME!

YIKES!

AARRRR!

**6675 POLAR BASE
FEATURES**
A. Communications
Tower
B. Science Lab
C. Weather Station
D. First Aid Station



CLUB MEMBER REVIEW:
Matthew Brady, age 12 of Arizona

"When I first saw their hooded parkas, I was like 'aw, cool, Eskimo clothes.' I like the weather station best. The science lab has this awesome magnifying glass that really works. The first-aid station has this high-tech door that opens to put the stretcher through. It's cool how the mechanical arm on the truck picks things up."

Send ice blocks into the X-Ray machine to see what's inside.

RIGHT ON!
I'M FROZEN.



maniac madness

Send a photo of your model to:
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Enfield, CT
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Remember to include your name, address, age and model name. Pictures will not be returned, so take an extra photo for yourself!



"White House"
 Gary Etzkorn, age 10
 of Minnesota



"Midnight Mega Ship"
 Spencer Tollefson, age 8
 of Washington

"Ruby Trap"
 Brendan Leahy, age 10
 of Indiana



"LEGO Skateboard & Skateboarder"
 Robby Kniestadt, age 10
 of Nevada



"Imperial AT-AT Walker"
 Connor Mac Donald,
 age 8 of Puerto Rico



"Hornet Transport"
 James Buckner
 of New Jersey



HONK!

"Ariel's Fleet"
Ariel Johnson, age 14
of Nevada

"Millennium Falcon"
Matt Armstrong
of California

MY NAME
IS NUTE!

**"Star Wars People - Obi-Wan Kenobi,
Jar Jar Binks, Padmé Naberrie,
Darth Maul, Nute Gunray"**
Lauren Marshall, age 8 and Katherine
Marshall, age 6 of California

"Snow Vaporizer"
Michael Stein, age 6
of New Jersey

"Black Ninja Fortress"
Bryan Tappel, age 13
of Washington

LEGO

FOX
KIDS

Star Wars Sweepstakes

David Diamond-Jenne
of Albany, NY was the grand prize
winner of the Fox Kids LEGO
Star Wars Sweepstakes. Big
winner, David will be an
honorary judge for the
Championships of the LEGO Star Wars
Galactic Challenge Building Contest!

SCOOPY-DOO

BIG
BUILD

Sweepstakes Winner

Congratulations Mauricio
Gonzalez of Texas winner of a
life-sized Scooby-Doo model
made of LEGO Bricks!

CARTOON
NETWORK

JOUST for Fun!

ALL NEW!

KNIGHTS'
KINGDOM



In the days of olde, when knights protected their king's kingdom, jousting was a popular event. At first, knights wanted a way to practice their fighting skills. They would form teams and charge at each other in a fake fight.

Jousts became the favorite contest to prove which knight was best. Knights from all over would travel to a joust to prove their strength and fighting skills. Soon, jousting tournaments became popular sporting events—like the Olympics of the Middle Ages.



TO HELP PROTECT KNIGHTS FROM INJURY, THEY USED DOLL SWORDS AND LANCES WITH PROTECTIVE TIPS.

One type of jousting was called quintain jousting. This is similar to the jousting in the #6095 Royal Joust. Instead of charging directly at an opponent, a knight would charge a target on a revolving pedestal (quintain). If he missed the target or was too slow in riding away, the jouster might get whacked by a sandbag tied to the other end of the contraption.

Believe it or not, these quintain jousting devices may have been the granddaddy of merry-go-rounds. Early merry-go-rounds had things to grab at including a brass ring. If you grabbed the brass ring, you got a free ride!

Hear ye, hear ye. Get ready for knightly fun every day. At the end of January click on ye olde www.LEGO.com/castle

#6095
Royal Joust



City center Craziness

City Center is suffering from millennium madness. A new century has arrived and strange things are happening all over City Center. Check out the new City Center vehicles in action. Find at least 10 funny things in this crazy scene!

I WONDER IF THIS VOIDS MY NASA WARRANTY?

I'VE GOT A BIKE. YOU CAN RIDE IT IF YOU LIVE.

HOW ABOUT A LITTLE GUANO ON THAT POLE?

DID SOMEBODY FEED THIS HORSE BEEFERRING?

HMMM... I SMELL SOMETHING BURNING

WHA, THAT GUY WAS MY SCREWDRIVER!

GRRRRR

TESTING... TESTING... IS THIS THING ON?

HOLD ON, THE PARROT WANTS TO TALK TO YOU.

ROGER... YOU'LL HAVE TO HANG ON, THERE'S A BIG YELLOW SPIDER ON MY HEAD!

Find 10 things

1. Steve has something in his pocket that he's not supposed to have
2. Help the squirrel find his way home. He's lost his way home. He's lost his way home.
3. There is a person on the police car
4. Fireman is dumping bricks into police car
5. Mechanic is in street
6. Child is building fort
7. Policeman is wearing shirt that's not his
8. There's a man's riding a horse
9. There's a man's talking into a microphone
10. Fireman has his Spider on his head



8522 SPARK



8523 BLASTER



8521 FLARE

ALL NEW



New Year's eve a mysterious meteor hits the Throwbots Planet... The powerful collision creates a giant crater. And out of the crater, climb four fantastic, new Throwbots. Can anyone—or anything—stop them?

8522

Spark gets a charge out of zapping power away from other Throwbots with his handy energy zapper.

8523

Blaster carries two big blasters in his trident.

8521

Flare shows off by firing flames from his arms and flares from his feet at the same time.

8520

The futuristic Millenia transforms from a flying Throwbot into a rolling, throwing super cycle.



Flare, Spark and Blaster unite into one super Throwbot named Dynamo.

DYNAMO



8520 MILLENIA



8520 MILLENIA (alternate model)

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- Hear ye, hear ye. Get ready for knightly fun every day. At the end of January click on ye olde www.LEGO.com/castle

Name THE Game AND Claim Your Prize!

During the long, cold winters, the Arctic explorers need something to do when they're not working. They can always go snowmobiling or ice surfing, but that's too much like work. So the explorers think of exciting new winter sports to play. You'll see them having fun all through the magazine. See if you can match up the cool new sport with each name. Write the page number of the sport next to the name that best describes it.

YOU COULD WIN THE LEGO SET OF YOUR CHOICE!

The first 100 randomly selected entries with the correct answers will win a LEGO set of their choice (up to a \$100 value).

Entries must be postmarked by March 17, 2000 and received by March 23, 2000. Winners will be notified by mail by April 20, 2000. Offer void where prohibited or restricted by law. Employees of LEGO Systems, Inc. and their immediate families are not eligible to participate. Entries will be judged by LEGO Systems, Inc. on the basis of accuracy. LEGO, the LEGO logo and LEGO MINDSTORMS are registered trademarks of the LEGO Group. © 1999 The LEGO Group.

Just fill in the contest entry form. Cut it out and mail it by March 17, 2000 to:

**NAME THE GAMES CONTEST
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HOW to ENTER



CONTEST



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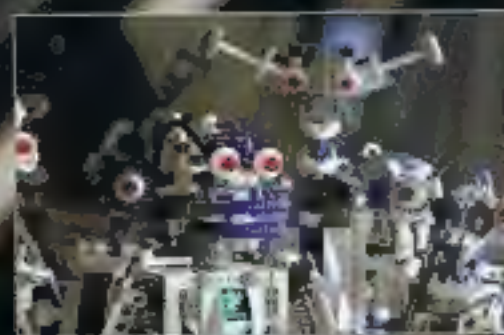
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The sport of stretcher sliding is on page _____
The sport of snowmoskiing is on page _____
The sport of snowshoeball is on page _____
The sport of polar bear-back riding is on page _____
The sport of snowbowling is on page _____

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (____) _____ Age: _____
Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

MAKE THEM MOVE, OR IF YOU PREFER, GROOVE.

R2-D2 has been watching too many of those ancient 20th century disco flicks. You may even recognize this chillin' still from his new "music video" on TV. If you haven't seen R2-D2 and the dancing droids on the tube, check them out at www.LEGOmindstorms.com.



Behind-the-Scenes Buzz

It took 11 model makers 3 weeks of intense building to make the 40 different droids in the video. Some of them come straight out of Star Wars, others right out of the mind of a LEGO model builder. But each one was made from the DDK (Droid Developer Kit).

Just like human actors, every droid had to audition. If one didn't have the moves or a cool personality, it was recycled into the next disco droid. Trying to keep 40 hip-hopping droids under control made the set a bit chaotic. Every move you see in the video was activated by each droid's microprocessor, called the Micro Scout. When light bounced off the mirror ball and hit the light sensors in the Micro Scouts, the droids strutted their stuff.

You can reuse the moves and sounds from this video using the built-in programs of the DDK. Add some lights, grab your video camera, and you can even make your own video!



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STAR WARS

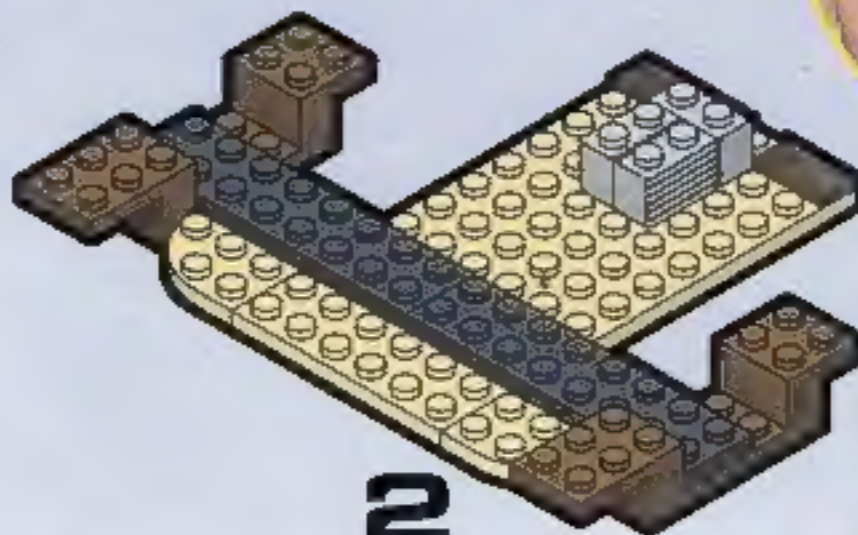
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SABER SPEEDER

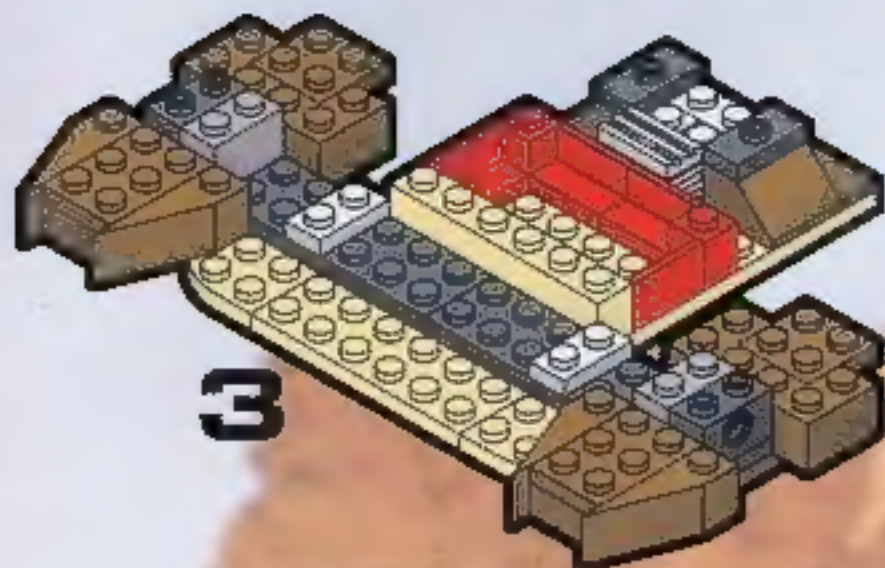
Club Member, Max Bern, age 8 of California, inspired our model designers to build the Saber Speeder



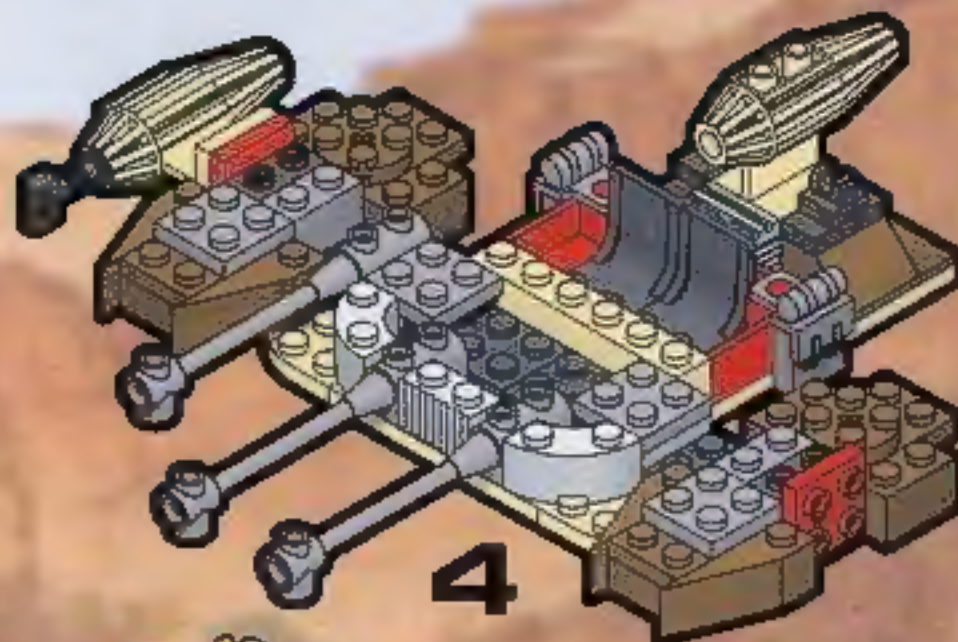
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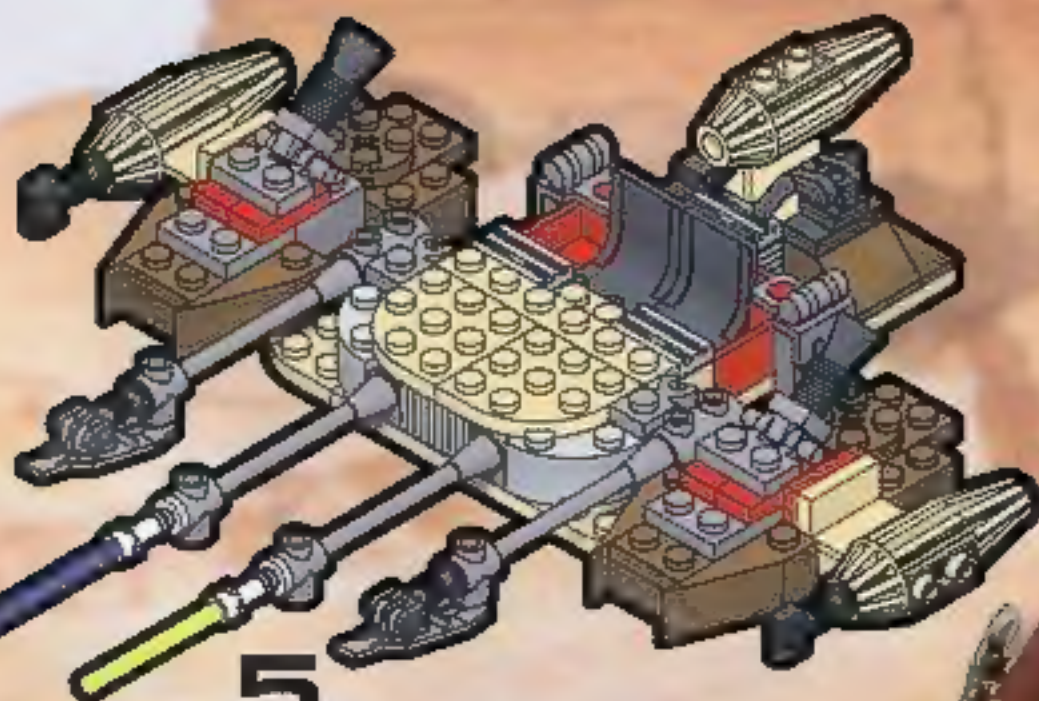
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Use pieces from your own LEGO collection or you can find all the pieces you need to build the Saber Speeder in #7110 Landspeeder™ and #7128 Speeder Bikes™.

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YOU CAN BUILD YOUR OWN LEGO CLUB CONVENTION
We want to know what you and your family would most like to do at the LEGO Club Convention. Fill out the survey inside this issue. You can be a part of making the magic come to life!



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